

April 2010 Vote History

April 2010 Vote History Budget, Taxes, and the Economy(200) - HR 4994: Cell Phone Deductions and Tax Relief - Passage

April 14, 2010 - Lewis, D-Ga., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would remove filing requirements for claiming a business cell phone deduction. It also would require the IRS to notify taxpayers who were eligible but did not receive a refund in any preceding tax year and authorize \$20 million per year in grants for tax assistance programs for low- and moderate-income taxpayers. Motion agreed to 399-9. Vote: Yea

(211) - HR 4851: Short-Term Extensions - Motion to Concur

April 15, 2010 - Levin, D-Mich., motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would extend for two months federal unemployment benefits, flood insurance programs, increased payment rates to Medicare providers and COBRA health care premium assistance. It would provide for payment to certain previously furloughed transportation workers. It also would extend for one month certain satellite TV laws and small-business lending programs.

Motion agreed to 289-112. Vote: Yea

Congress and Federal Government(202) - H Res 1249: Reporting of Massa Allegations - Motion to Refer

April 14, 2010 - McGovern, D-Mass., motion to refer the Boehner, R-Ohio, privileged resolution to the Standards of Official Conduct Committee. The Boehner resolution would require the Standards of Official Conduct Committee to investigate if House Democratic leadership and their staff knew of allegations of misconduct against former Rep. Massa, D-N.Y. before March 3, 2010. Motion agreed to 235-157. Vote: Nay

(206) - H Res 1255: PMA Group Investigation - Motion to Refer

April 15, 2010 - Oberstar, D-Minn., motion to refer the Flake, R-Ariz., privileged resolution to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct. The resolution would require the committee to issue a report detailing the number of interviews conducted, subpoenas issued and documents . Vote: Yea

(218) - H Res 1287: PMA Group Investigation - Motion to Refer

April 22, 2010 - Hastings, D-Fla., motion to refer the Flake, R-Ariz., privileged resolution to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct. The resolution would require the committee to issue a report detailing the number of interviews conducted, subpoenas issued and documents reviewed in the panel's investigation of members' dealings with the PMA Group. Motion agreed to 402-0. Vote: Yea

Domestic Issues(196) - H Res 1222: National Library Week - Adoption

April 13, 2010 - Chu, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of National Library Week and encourage residents to visit libraries and support efforts to ensure all Americans have access to libraries. Motion agreed to 397-0. Vote: Yea

(197) - H Res 1041: University of Idaho Football - Adoption

April 13, 2010 - Chu, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend the University of Idaho's football team for winning the 2009 Humanitarian Bowl. Motion agreed to 394-1. Vote: Yea

(198) - H Res 1042: Boise State Football - Adoption

April 13, 2010 - Chu, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend the Boise State University Broncos football team for winning the 2010 Fiesta Bowl and congratulate the team on an undefeated season. Motion agreed to 385-1. Vote: Yea

(199) - H Res 1236: Tribute to West Virginia Miners - Adoption

April 14, 2010 - Miller, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 29 coal miners lost at the Upper Big Branch Mine-South in West Virginia and extends condolences to the miners' families. Motion agreed to 409-0. Vote: Yea

(201) - HR 3125: Radio Spectrum Inventory - Passage

April 14, 2010 - Boucher, D-Va., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the Federal Communications Commission to conduct an inventory of radio spectrum and determine where reallocating or sharing portions would be feasible. It would require a report on which spectrum blocks should be reallocated or made available for shared-access. Motion agreed to 394-18. Vote: Yea

(210) - H Res 1242: Tribute to Duke University Men's Basketball Team - Adoption

April 15, 2010 - Fudge, D-Ohio, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the Duke University Blue Devils for winning the 2010 NCAA Division I men's basketball tournament. Motion agreed to 390-0. Vote: Yea

(212) - H Res 1257: Financial Literacy Month - Adoption

April 20, 2010 - Hinojosa, D-Texas, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of Financial Literacy Month. Motion agreed to 397-4. Vote: Yea

(213) - H Res 1271: Tribute to Benjamin Lawson Hooks - Adoption

April 20, 2010 - Cohen, D-Tenn., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the life and achievements of civil rights leader Benjamin Lawson Hooks. Motion agreed to 407-0. Vote: Yea

(215) - H Res 1104: National Crime Victims' Rights Week - Adoption

April 21, 2010 - Cohen, D-Tenn., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals of 2010 National Crime Victims' Rights Week to increase public awareness of the impact of crime on victims and survivors. Motion agreed to 417-0. Vote: Yea

(216) - H Res 1216: Tribute to Daniel Coughlin - Adoption

April 21, 2010 - Capuano, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate Rev. Daniel P. Coughlin on his 10th year of service as chaplain of the House of Representatives. Motion agreed to 412-0. Vote: Yea

(221) - HR 4543: Anthony Cortese Post Office - Passage

April 26, 2010 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in San Jose, Calif., as the "Anthony J. Cortese Post Office Building."

Motion agreed to 370-0. Vote: Yea

(222) - H Res 1103: Tribute to Sam Houston - Adoption

April 26, 2010 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the contributions of American statesman and politician Sam Houston to Texas and to the expansion of the United States. Motion agreed to 375-0. Vote: Yea

(223) - HR 4861: Steve Goodman Post Office - Passage

April 26, 2010 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Chicago as the "Steve Goodman Post Office Building." Motion agreed to 371-0. Vote: Yea

Education(224) - H Res 1131: National Assistant Principals Week - Adoption

April 27, 2010 - Woolsey, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the designation of National Assistant Principals Week. Motion agreed to 411-0. Vote: Yea

(220) - H Res 1270: Mathematics Awareness Month - Adoption

April 22, 2010 - Sablan, D-N. Marianas, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of Mathematics Awareness Month. Motion agreed to 407-2. Vote: Yea

Energy, Environment, and Federal Land(207) - HR 4715: Estuary Protection Program - Sea Level Changes

April 15, 2010 - Shea-Porter, D-N.H., amendment that would require EPA estuary conservation and management plans to monitor the impact of sea level changes on estuaries. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 294-109. Vote: Nay

(208) - HR 4715: Estuary Protection Program - Recommit

April 15, 2010 - Jordan, R-Ohio, motion to recommit the bill to the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee with instructions that it be immediately reported back with an amendment that would cap authorization for the EPA's National Estuary Program at \$35 million per fiscal year if the nation had a deficit in the previous fiscal year. Motion rejected 192-214. Vote: Yea

(209) - HR 4715: Estuary Protection Program - Passage

April 15, 2010 - Passage of the bill that would authorize \$50 million annually through fiscal 2016 for the EPA's National Estuary Program. It would require the EPA to evaluate estuary management plans every four years. As amended, it would require EPA plans to evaluate the impact of climate change on estuaries and require the agency to evaluate the effectiveness of the estuary program and identify best practices. Passed 278-128. Vote: Yea

Foreign Affairs and Immigration(203) - H Res 1246: Tribute to Polish Plane Crash Victims - Adoption

April 14, 2010 - Delahunt, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express sympathy for the people of Poland as they mourn the death of Polish President Lech Kaczynski and 95 others who died in a plane crash on April 10, 2010, in Russia. Motion agreed to 404-0. Vote: Yea

(219) - HR 2194: Iran Sanctions - Motion to Instruct

April 22, 2010 - Ros-Lehtinen, R-Fla., motion to instruct conferees to insist on House provisions of the bill that would impose sanctions against companies that supply Iran with, or support its domestic production of, gasoline and other refined-petroleum products, and present a conference report by May 28, 2010. Motion agreed to 403-11. Vote: Yea

(233) - HR 2499: Puerto Rico Political Status - Motion to Table

April 29, 2010 - Slaughter, D-N.Y., motion to table (kill) the Gutierrez, D-III., motion to reconsider the vote on adoption of the rule (H Res 1305) that would provide for House floor consideration of the bill that would establish a two-stage process to determine Puerto Rico's political status. Motion agreed to 199-186. Vote: Nay

(234) - HR 2499: Puerto Rico Political Status - Commonwealth Option

April 29, 2010 - Foxx, R-N.C., amendment that would give voters an option to support the current commonwealth status during the second stage of the plebiscite. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 223-179. Vote: Yea

(235) - HR 2499: Puerto Rico Political Status - 'None of the Above' Option

April 29, 2010 - Gutierrez, D-III., amendment that would give voters an option to choose "none of the above" during the second stage of the plebiscite. Rejected in Committee of the Whole 164-236. Vote: Yea

(236) - HR 2499: Puerto Rico Political Status - Spanish Language Ballots

April 29, 2010 - Gutierrez, D-III., amendment that would require the ballots in the plebiscite to be printed in Spanish. Ballots in English would be available upon request. Rejected in Committee of the Whole 13-386. Vote: Nay

(237) - HR 2499: Puerto Rico Political Status - Language Requirements

April 29, 2010 - Burton, R-Ind., amendment that would require plebiscite ballots to be printed in English. It also would require the Puerto Rico election commission to inform voters that if Puerto Rico retains its current political status or is admitted for statehood, the official language requirements of the federal government would apply. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 301-100. Vote: Yea

(238) - HR 2499: Puerto Rico Political Status - Puerto Rican Descent Eligibility

April 29, 2010 - Velazquez, D-N.Y., amendment that would make U.S. citizens of Puerto Rican descent eligible to vote in the plebiscites authorized by the bill. Rejected in Committee of the Whole 11-387. Vote: Nay

(239) - HR 2499: Puerto Rico Political Status - Single Plebiscite

April 29, 2010 - Velazquez, D-N.Y., amendment that would authorize Puerto Rico to hold one plebiscite to choose between four options: statehood, full independence, independence with a special political associations with the United States, or the current commonwealth status. It would authorize a runoff process, between the two options that receive the highest number of votes, if no option receives more than 50 percent of the vote. Rejected in Committee of the Whole 112-285. Vote: Nay

(240) - HR 2499: Puerto Rico Political Status - Substitute

April 29, 2010 - Velazquez, D-N.Y., substitute amendment that would strike the text of the bill and insert language to express the sense of Congress that the government of Puerto Rico can hold a vote on whether to conduct a plebiscite to change its political status. Rejected in Committee of the Whole 171-223. Vote: Yea

(241) - HR 2499: Puerto Rico Political Status - Recommit

April 29, 2010 - Hastings, R-Wash., motion to recommit the bill to the Natural Resources Committee with instructions that it be immediately reported back with an amendment that would redefine the Puerto Rican statehood option to specify that English would be the official language and state laws would have to permit residents to own and carry firearms. Motion rejected 194-198. Vote: Yea

(242) - HR 2499: Puerto Rico Political Status - Passage

April 29, 2010 - Passage of the bill that would establish a two-stage process to determine Puerto Rico's political status. It would allow the Puerto Rican government to conduct a plebiscite on the question of whether to maintain or change Puerto Rico's current status as a commonwealth. If a majority votes for the new status, then a second vote would be held to ask participants whether they favor statehood, full independence, independence with a special political association with the United States, or to retain the current commonwealth status. It also would require plebiscite ballots to be printed in English. Passed 223-169. Vote: Nay

Health Care(214) - S 1963: Veterans Health Programs - Passage

April 21, 2010 - Filner, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$2.9 billion for veterans' health programs, assistance to their caregivers and veterans' medical facility construction projects. Motion agreed to 419-0. Vote: Yea

Housing(225) - HR 5017: Rural Housing Loan Program Modifications - Passage

April 27, 2010 - Kanjorski, D-Pa., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize the Agriculture Department to guarantee up to \$30 billion in mortgage loans in fiscal 2010 under a rural housing program and increase fees for mortgage lenders participating in the program to up to 4 percent of the loan principal. Motion agreed to 352-62. Vote: Yea

(226) - HR 5146: Block Member Pay Increase - Passage

April 27, 2010 - Davis, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would block a scheduled 2011 cost-of-living pay increase for members of Congress. Motion agreed to 402-15. Vote: Yea

War on Terror, Armed Forces, and Veterans (205) - H Res 1062: Tribute to Coast Guard Group Astoria - Adoption

April 15, 2010 - Cummings, D-Md., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the Coast Guard Group Astoria's more than 60 years of service to the Pacific Northwest and honor the men and women of the organization. Motion agreed to 401-0. Vote: Yea

(227) - HR 5013: Defense Department Acquisition Overhaul - Significant Findings Report

April 28, 2010 - Hall, D-N.Y., amendment that would require the director of the Office of Performance Assessment and Root Cause Analysis to include performance assessments with significant findings in its annual report. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 416-0. Vote: Yea

(228) - HR 5013: Defense Department Acquisition Overhaul - Industrial Base Council

April 28, 2010 - Connolly, D-Va., amendment that would establish an Industrial Base Council within the Defense Department to provide input on budget and policy matters, including matters pertaining to the national defense technology and industrial base. It also would require an annual report to Congress on the council's activities. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 417-2. Vote: Yea

(229) - HR 5013: Defense Department Acquisition Overhaul - Recommit

April 28, 2010 - Buyer, R-Ind., motion to recommit the bill to the Armed Services Committee with instructions that it be immediately reported back with an amendment that would require Defense Department health care contract bids to include the cost of compliance with health care overhaul laws. It also would require the Defense secretary to submit a report to Congress that includes the cost of agency compliance with such laws. Motion agreed to 419-1. Vote: Yea

(230) - HR 5013: Defense Department Acquisition Overhaul - Passage

April 28, 2010 - Passage of the bill that would require the Defense Department to improve its acquisition practices. It would require the department to create a performance management system, establish financial incentives and penalties to ensure goals are being met, and reward and provide career development for its acquisition workforce. It would require potential federal contractors to provide certification that they do not have seriously delinquent tax debts. Passed 417-3. Vote: Yea